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Letter dated 27 November 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

With reference to the confidence-building measures included in your report of 19 November 1992 concerning your mission of good offices in Cyprus (S/24830), and further to Security Council resolution 789 (1992), adopted unanimously on 25 November 1992, I have the honour, with respect in particular to paragraph 64 of your report, which states that the implementation of the said confidence-building measures "would be a good measure of the political will of all concerned to work actively towards a solution of the Cyprus problem", to forward herewith a letter dated 24 November 1992 addressed to you by the President of the Republic of Cyprus, Mr. George Vassiliou, indicating acceptance of the said confidence-building measures by the Government of Cyprus (see annex).

I should be grateful if the text of the present letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 45, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) A. J. JACOVIDES
Ambassador
Permanent Representative of
the Republic of Cyprus
to the United Nations

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ANNEX

Letter dated 24 November 1992 from the President of Cyprus addressed to the Secretary-General

I have received your recent report on your mission of good offices, covering the resumed joint meetings in New York from 28 October to 11 November 1992.

I have thoroughly studied the part of the report that accurately reflects the positions expressed by each side under the eight main headings of the Set of Ideas.

I have also examined with great interest your observations, which clearly identify as the reason for the failure of the recent round of talks in New York the Turkish Cypriot positions, which, as stated in your report, are, in a fundamental way, outside the framework of the Set of Ideas.

Taking into account the goal of the forthcoming joint meetings, that is, to conclude an overall agreement on the basis of the entire Set of Ideas endorsed by the Security Council, and believing, as you do, that the prospects for progress could be greatly enhanced if a number of confidence-building measures were adopted, I consider of utmost importance the specific measures proposed by you to help to create a climate of confidence that will contribute to the success of the forthcoming negotiating process.

It is in this spirit of good will that I wish to inform you that we accept the proposed measures. It is naturally expected that Turkey and the Turkish Cypriot side will also accept them and will be willing to proceed with their implementation. On our part we will do our utmost to cooperate with you for the success of your endeavours.

(Signed) George VASSILIOU